

THE CLAIMS

We claim:

1. A system for the convenient dispensing of a semi-solid comestible from a sealed container, comprising:
  - (a) a substantially unitary cylindrical sleeve formed of a substantially rigid material, said sleeve defined about a longitudinal axis having first and second ends thereof;
  - (b) a first base formed of a substantially rigid material, said base defined by a radial cross-section of said sleeve, the periphery of said base secured in integral communication with said sleeve proximally to said first end of said axis thereof;
  - (c) means for enabling a selectable separation of said first base from said sleeve;
  - (d) a quantity of said comestible disposed within said sleeve and against said first base;
  - (e) a wafer-like piston having a width in a range of about one to about five centimeters disposed co-axially within said sleeve upon a side of said comestible opposite said first base, and said piston further disposed in press-slidable complementary relationship to interior walls of said sleeve;

- (f) a second base at said second end of said sleeve axis, having a periphery substantially complementary to an opposing periphery of said sleeve, and secured in substantially fluid tight relationship thereto; and
  - (g) means for selectable release of the periphery of said second base from said sleeve.
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- 2. The system as recited in Claim 1, in which said second base comprises a foil-like or metallic material.
  - 3. The system as recited in Claim 1, in which said sleeve comprises a metal or alloy thereof.
  - 4. The system as recited in Claim 1, in which said piston comprises a polymeric material.
  - 5. The system as recited in Claim 3, in which said piston comprises a polymeric material.
  - 6. The system as recited in Claim 4, in which said sleeve comprises a polymeric material having an annular width of at least 0.5 centimeters.

7. The system as recited in Claim 4, in which each of said bases comprise a polymeric material.
8. The system as recited in Claim 1 in which:  
said sleeve includes a plurality of longitudinal channels within an interior surface thereof disposed co-axially about said axis;  
and  
said piston comprises a plurality of axial protrusions each complementary to a corresponding one of said longitudinal channels within said sleeve.
9. The system as recited in Claim 5, in which said second base comprises a foil-like or metallic material.
10. The system as recited in Claim 7, in which said sleeve comprises a metal or alloy thereof.
11. A system for the convenient discharge of a non-liquid comestible from a container, comprising:
  - (a) a substantially unitary cylindrical sleeve formed of a substantially rigid material, said sleeve defined about a longitudinal axis, having first and second ends thereof;

- (b) a first base formed of a substantially rigid material, said base defined by a radial cross-section of said sleeve, a periphery of said base secured in integral communication with said sleeve proximally to said first end of said axis thereof;
- (c) a quantity of said comestible disposed within said sleeve about said axis and against said first base;
- (d) a wafer-like piston disposed co-axially with said sleeve, an interior base of said piston in contact with said comestible, said piston disposed in press-slidable complementary relationship to an interior surface of said sleeve, said piston secured in fluid tight relationship to said opposing sleeve periphery; and
- (e) between said sleeve proximally to said second end of said axis, means for manual release of said piston from said sleeve.

12. The system as recited in Claim 11 in which said manual release means comprises a scored circumference.